

**Washington Autism Advisory Council – Membership Meeting**  
**November 7, 2014**

Location: SeaTac International Airport Conference Center

**Agenda and Notes**

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Welcome and Introductions	Housekeeping – see David for parking coupon
<p>Panel to discuss issues in Personal Care and Respite Care such as finding an Individual Provider, working with a Home care agency and training requirements.</p> <p>MPC Rules, Debbie Roberts – state plan manager, DDA  Home Care Registry – Lisa Livingston;  First Choice Home Care Agency - Jim Lord  Training Partnership – Marci Jaye Vaughn  Training,  Linda Gil – DDA</p>	<p>Training: Recent bill that passed; see handouts for Substitute Senate Bill 6387; the bill can be found on line at: <a href="http://www.altsa.dshs.wa.gov/stakeholders/CFCO/documents/meetings/April2014/6387-S_SL.pdf">http://www.altsa.dshs.wa.gov/stakeholders/CFCO/documents/meetings/April2014/6387-S_SL.pdf</a></p> <p><b>SEIU</b> – newly implemented that there are mentors for personal care providers  Phone number is: 1.866.371.3200. SEIU has requested that issues be directed to them on anything. Responsible for training.</p> <p><b>Community First Choice Option (CFCO)</b>– state plan – entitlement and replaces Medicaid Personal Care (MPC) as part of the ACA; SB6387; expands services and enhanced training; There is a Maintenance of Effort requirement which translates into clients having the same number of hours; still working on some of the details; The CFCO has a 56% federal match</p> <p>Client will have same number of hours and can buy service units for care, assistive technology, more flexibility; see the website: <a href="http://www.altsa.dshs.wa.gov/cfco">www.altsa.dshs.wa.gov/cfco</a></p> <p>Concerns raised: supervision; providers need to be skilled to deal with behavioral issues. Training times need to be flexible for weekends and evenings.</p> <p>What about adult support? MPC continues; other services exist such as employment. CFC promotes independence</p> <p><b>Individual Family Service (IFS) waiver</b> is another option.</p> <p><b>Respite Care Home Care Registry</b> – initiated in 2004, voter initiative better quality LT care and access for workers. Works with families to find providers. See handout.</p>

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	<p><a href="#">First Choice In-Home Care</a> Agency – parent perspective issues with being able to staff up for approved hours for MPC; can’t find providers; can’t find qualified providers who are skilled to manage children with behavioral issues; competing with less “needy” populations; providers get same hourly rate regardless of needs. Training needs to include basic care – 75 hours – but has little to do with behavioral interventions; need to design programs that better meet the needs of the client; Working with the DOH and HCA to have a provisional credential; there are issues with approval – up to 6-8 months causing people to leave the industry; trying to recruit college students; but there may be concerns with the 75 hour training requirements; issues with turnover;</p> <p><a href="#">CARE</a> tool includes a complete assessment but the tool does not create an algorithm for number of hours based on behavioral needs. There is a new module to address behavioral concerns.</p> <p>LEND is working on a new curriculum for clients with developmental disabilities.</p>
Brainstorming Session: Youth Transition Grant	See attached notes
Update and Activities - Information about organizational activities, update on Behavioral Analysis Licensing, and other statewide events of interest to the Autism community. Autism Awareness Month is April 2015.	<p>DOH is working on the sunset review for the rule. ABA must be regulated. Most of the draft licensing language has been retained; lots of clarification of other roles. New lobbyist for WABA hired esp. to assist with legislation. WABA will be focusing on fund raising.</p> <p><a href="#">Autism Outreach Project</a>: funded through OSPI (NW ESD 189). Has lots of resources free-of-charge to the community; lots of links and resources. The Project will be focusing on adolescent transition.</p> <p>ARC – Advocacy Days planning for parents; April 1 is Autism Awareness Day. <a href="http://www.awc.org">www.awc.org</a> will provide resources to families, educating legislators, (Diane)</p> <p>One-page TricCare benefits overview provided. For questions, ask Dr. Hood at Madigan</p> <p><b>Spokane</b> – fully operational ABA program at NW Autism center, transitioned from Domino project; Cheney School district engaged and is learning; TEAM Training Evidence-Based Applied Models. Law enforcement training. Working with Whitworth for a BCBA program, working on developing a practicum</p>

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	<p>site; looking at a site move.</p> <p><b>Yakima</b> – <a href="#">LynchPin program</a> established and now open; Children’s Village ABA program is established; LEND fellow in place</p> <p><b>Father’s Network</b> – annual conference about one month ago; “Big Time Daddy” awarded to Senator Andy Hill.</p> <p><b>Aptitude</b> – Intensive day program to opened in the next week. Group Home – 24 bed facility – being worked on.</p> <p><b>Providence Autism Center</b> – day program opened. COE 2 ½ years</p> <p><b>UWA</b> – ASAP grant – 700 people trained; now working on NIMH grant – 4 communities across – Screen-Refer-Treat (SRT). Yakima, Skagit, Spokane, and Lewis. Working with providers and EIST programs. Special focus on Hispanic populations. DVD to be released for families whose children have a new diagnosis.</p> <p><b>Office of the Governor’s Ombudsman</b> – recommendations for students with disabilities. Recommendations for a Blue Ribbon Commission; a report to be released soon.</p> <p><b>King County</b> – Transition Fairs – March 5 Microsoft and March 6 in Renton</p> <p><b>Family-to-Family Information Center</b> – under the System of Care grant, there are <a href="#">FYSPTs</a>, trying to engage clients with dual diagnosis;</p> <p>Arzu provided an overview of her organization</p>
<p>Overview of Seclusion and Restraint Issues Rose Spidell, Office of the Education Ombudsman and Arzu</p>	<p>See presentations.</p>

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<p data-bbox="155 191 451 375">“Building a Medical Home for Children with ASD” suggestions for planning and oversight</p> <p data-bbox="155 423 411 488">Beth Ellen Davis &amp; Kate Orville, LEND</p>	<p data-bbox="476 191 1581 264">See presentation. Continuing education activity; HCA; primary care provider training; An in-depth literature review was provided as part of the presentation.</p> <ul data-bbox="476 280 1913 1203" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="476 280 772 310">▪ Needs assessment:</li> <li data-bbox="476 326 1331 355">▪ Medical home – shared medical record, templates in the EMR,</li> <li data-bbox="476 371 1881 578">▪ <b>Provider office</b> environment, practice runs, social stories, field trip, to desensitize, video tape the child in the environment, visual supports for families; see <a data-bbox="1171 412 1560 441" href="#">Center for Pediatric Dentistry</a></li> <li data-bbox="476 456 1304 485">▪ Office protocol that gets launched proactively; train all staff;</li> <li data-bbox="476 501 1885 578">▪ Having a comprehensive set of community resources; sleep and toilet training – these can be managed in the primary care setting</li> <li data-bbox="476 594 1556 623">▪ Have a tool box that they can implement within 24 hours of leaving the training.</li> <li data-bbox="476 639 1892 716">▪ Have specific interventions based on setting; i.e., ER and triaging versus a pediatric practice; be able to re-consider the office visit and what needs to happen when</li> <li data-bbox="476 732 1535 761">▪ Offices need to know what the benefits are not just ABA but all other services.</li> <li data-bbox="476 777 1577 807">▪ Need someone in a medical home who knows how to manage appeals processes.</li> <li data-bbox="476 823 1871 899">▪ Need to really understand the constraints that a pediatrician faces every day. What is the payoff for the doctor?</li> <li data-bbox="476 915 1325 945">▪ Need to add nutrition as an integral part given this population</li> <li data-bbox="476 961 1115 990">▪ Need to include ABA providers in the training.</li> <li data-bbox="476 1006 1913 1114">▪ What resources? Updated guidebook? Yes, needs to be updated – online resources should be maintained and updated at any time. Need to think about what else is happening. Look at <a data-bbox="1549 1047 1738 1076" href="#">AutismSpeaks</a> for providers resources.</li> <li data-bbox="476 1130 758 1159">▪ Parent Navigators</li> <li data-bbox="476 1175 1115 1205">▪ Think about “stations” with hands on training</li> </ul>
<p data-bbox="155 1308 443 1373">Improvements in ABA Coverage</p> <p data-bbox="155 1390 380 1455">Gail Kreiger &amp; Lin Payton, HCA</p>	<p data-bbox="476 1308 705 1338"><b>Medicaid Update</b></p> <p data-bbox="476 1354 1871 1430">Building capacity for COEs for evaluations – Longview and Wenatchee – there are now 23 COEs . Statewide, there are now 27 ABA providers.</p> <p data-bbox="476 1446 1913 1511">Wenatchee will do a virtual COE; training at lots of community involvement; multidisciplinary team also include Omak and TriCities. Wenatchee is planning a day program and in-home ABA. There are 1,900 children being</p>

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	<p>managed; 300+ in active treatment.</p> <p>HCA is adopting new ABA codes (AMA recently released) and working with ABA providers; the plan is to implement these mid-November.</p> <p>MCO-enrolled children will manage the ABA benefit effective January 1, 2015. MCO training done with ongoing support; Plans should provide the same benefit and that rates need to be negotiated; Gail will follow-up with this as well as prior authorization processes. FFS kids are still managed through HCA.</p> <p>ABA available to age 21 under EPSDT. Over 21, there are other resources. Arzu will help with accessing ABA for adults.</p> <p>Can't cover ABA supervision – added \$s for the rate for the direct intervention to account for supervision; rate is the same regardless; all rates are increased. New rates to be posted next week.</p> <p>NDCs remain in FFS; there are opportunities. There are discussions about putting dental in managed care.</p>
Spring WAAC meeting	To be announced